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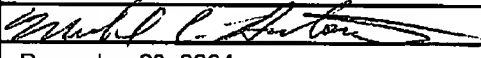
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In response to the Office Action dated September 20, 2004 (the "Action"), please amend the above-referenced application as follows.

Amendments to the Specification (none).

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper

Amendments to the Drawings (none).

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.

Appendix (none).